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In re Application of McMURTRY et al :
U.S. Application No.: 10/518,918 :
PCT Application No.: PCT/GB03/02915 : COMMUNICATION
Int. Filing Date: 07 July 2003 :
Priority Date Claimed: 05 July 2002 :
Attorney Docket No.: 122070 :
For: LASER CALIBRATION APPARATUS :

This is in response to the correspondence filed 01 March 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 07 July 2003, applicant filed international application PCT/GB03/02915, which claimed priority of an earlier United Kingdom application filed 05 July 2002. A copy of the international application was communicated to the USPTO from the International Bureau on 15 January 2004. The thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired on 05 January 2005.

On 23 December 2004, applicant filed national stage papers in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US). The submission was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1) and a purported declaration.

On 04 August 2005, the DO/EO/US mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905), which indicated that an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 must be filed.

On 24 August 2005, applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.181, requesting acceptance of the declaration submitted on 23 December 2004.

On 06 December 2005, this Office mailed a decision dismissing the 24 August 2005 petition.

On 01 March 2006, applicant filed the present response, including a newly executed declaration.

DISCUSSION

The declaration filed 01 March 2006 is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497.

CONCLUSION

The application has an International Filing Date under 35 U.S.C. 363 of 07 July 2003, and a date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) of 01 March 2006.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing in accordance with this communication.



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